

## August 11, 2023

**Greetings!** 

Woodridge Citizen's Leadership Academy!

# **CITIZEN'S LEADERSHIP** ACADEMY

**TUESDAY NIGHTS** 



VILLAGE OF WOODRIDGE

The Citizen Leadership Academy provides an in-depth education on many aspects of the Village, including a review of all units of local government within Woodridge, a comprehensive review of Village operations, the Village's communication and transparency efforts, and future opportunities to serve the Woodridge community. A previous participant stated, "I have a much better understanding of how things work in the Village in which I live." \*With one Monday Session on 9/25 instead of Tuesday

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Learn about the Village of Woodridge and how local government functions at the Citizen's Leadership Academy! This is a free community education program where participants will meet 6 times from September 19 through October 23 (Tuesday nights). To join, contact Andie Trucco at atrucco@woodridgeil.gov.

#### VILLAGE MEETINGS

**Village Board Meeting** August 17 at 7:00 p.m. Werch Board Room 5 Plaza Drive

**Plan Commission Meeting** August 21 at 7:00 p.m. Werch Board Room 5 Plaza Drive

#### National City Hall Selfie Day!

Board of Police Commissioners Meeting August 28 at 6:30 pm 2nd Floor Training Room 5 Plaza Drive

#### Water Bill Brief

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Participate in National City Hall Selfie Day taking place on Tuesday, August 15th at Woodridge Village Hall! #CityHallSelfieDay is a celebration of public service showcasing pride in local government institutions. Every year since 2016, government employees, elected officials, members of the media, and community members have participated in the event by sharing selfies in front of their municipality. The Village of Woodridge will be hosting a photo station in front of Village Hall from 10 am - 1 pm on this day and invites the community participate! We will be sharing photos across Village of Woodridge Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter pages and ask that participants please use #WoodridgeCityHallSelfie.

#### Woodridge Warhol Food Drive to Benefit the West Suburban Community Pantry!

Look for the Andy Warhol themed soup can barrels around Woodridge! The Village of Woodridge, the Woodridge Public Library, and the West Suburban Community Pantry are teaming up to bring a community food drive to the citizens of Woodridge running from August 7 -September 10.



Donation locations include: Woodridge Village Hall (5 Plaza Dr.), The Woodridge Public Library (3 Plaza Dr.), Fred C. Hohnke Community Center (2600 Center Dr.), The Woodridge Park District ARC (8201 Janes Ave.), Woodridge Jewel-Osco (2317 75th St.), Skeleton Key Brewery (8102 Lemont Rd. # 300), Robert F. Girgis, DDC, LTC. Orthodontist (7350 Janes Ave.)



#### **Now Hiring Lateral Police Officers**

The Woodridge Police Department is now accepting applications for the position of Lateral Police Officer. Starting salary (DOQ) up to \$93,808. Join a professional, progressive law enforcement agency consisting of 51 sworn officers (one Chief, two Deputy Chiefs, seven Sergeants, and 41 patrol officers).

Click here for more information and to apply.

#### **Congratulations to the Lisle-Woodridge Fire District!**

The Lisle-Woodridge Fire District has once again achieved a Class 1 Public Protection Classification (PPC) rating from the Insurance Services Office (ISO). Insurance companies use the PPC rating to determine premiums for homeowner and commercial fire insurance. In general, the price of fire insurance in a community with a high rating is substantially lower then a community with a poor rating. Less then 2% of Fire Departments nationwide have achieved a Class 1 rating. The District has maintained a Class 1 rating since 1993 after becoming the first Fire District in the nation to achieve an ISO Class 1.





#### Woodridge Police Department Receives \$115K Organized Retail Theft Crime Grant

The Woodridge Police Department has been awarded a \$115,000.00 grant from the Illinois Attorney General's Office to prevent retail theft crimes.

This grant was issued by Attorney General Kwame Raoul, who established the Organized Retail Crime (ORC) Task Force in 2021. The purpose of this task force is to foster cooperation among retailers, online marketplaces, and law enforcement agencies to target organized retail crime enterprises. With the grant money, the Police Department will purchase and install 20 License Plate Reader (LPR) cameras. These cameras will allow officers to search for suspected license plates involved in retail thefts and, as a result, catch more retail theft criminals. Click here to learn more!

### Woodridge Remembers September 11, 2001



#### September 11 Remembrance Ceremony

Every year, Lisle and Woodridge hold a Remembrance Ceremony to honor those who have been affected by the tragic events of September 11, 2001. The Woodridge community is invited to attend this ceremony alongside our neighbors in Lisle. This year's ceremony will take place on Monday, September 11 outside Woodridge Village Hall (5 Plaza Dr.) at 8:30 am.



#### Change Your Outdoor Lights to Honor Police & Firefighters this September!

As September 11 approaches, let's honor and show support for our Woodridge Police Officers & Fire Fighters from September 8 through September 17 by displaying blue and/or red light porch lights.

#### **DuPage County to Host Veterans Resource Fair**

The County Recorder and Veterans Assistance Commission will host a resource fair for veterans from 9 am to 1 pm on Tuesday, August 29 at the Jack T. Knuepfer Building located at 421 N. County Farm Road, Wheaton (in the Auditorium). More than 50 agencies will be in attendance to provide informational materials, veteran programs, and resources. Representatives from the Illinois Secretary of State's Office will be available to assist with veteran designation on driver's licenses and state IDs. Attendees can also sign up for the Recorder's Honor Rewards program. For additional information, please contact Steve Fixler at (630) 407-5655 or steven.fixler@dupageco.org.





#### Water Meter Replacement Program

The Village of Woodridge is implementing a mandatory water meter upgrade program to replace existing water meters and remote readers with a new Fixed Base Automatic Meter Reading System (Smart Meters) in all residential, commercial, and industrial areas. The program will include the replacement of approximately 9,000 meters and will take roughly 6 to 8 months. When it is your neighborhood's turn to have water meters replaced, United Water Meters Inc. (UMI) will notify you by letter and/or door hanger for you to schedule a time to complete the replacement. Click here for more information.

#### Illinois Secretary of State Skip-the-Line Program



The Office of the Illinois Secretary of State has announced a new program, known as Skip-the-Line, to improve customer service and eliminate long wait times at high-volume Secretary of State facilities. The program includes appointment scheduling at 44 of the busiest facilities and new extended hours of operation. For more information about the Skip-the-Line Program, including a list of participating facilities, frequently asked questions, and online appointment scheduling, click here.

#### FEATURED WOODRIDGE BUSINESS

#### **The RoomPlace**

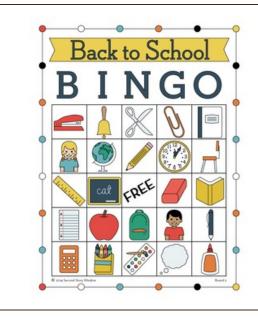
Have you heard? The RoomPalce has moved to Woodridge and is now located at 900 E. Boughton Road! For over 100 years, The RoomPlace has been providing the Midwest with home furnishing solutions. Discover furniture sets and more! The RoomPlace is currently running an End of Summer Clearance Sale where shoppers can receive at extra 20% their order.

Click here to learn more.



Do you have a Woodridge business that you would like to see featured on E-News? Send it to us and it could be featured in the next E-News issue!

#### IN AND AROUND WOODRIDGE



#### Back to School Teen Bingo Bash

Join the Woodridge Public Library on August 17 from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm for some Back-To-School Bingo fun! Snacks, BINGO games, and surprises. Teens only! Click here to register



#### **Youth Fishing Tourney**

The Woodridge Park District is hosting its 2nd Annual Youth Fishing Tourney at Lake Harriet on August 26 from 10 am - 12 pm. Gift cards will be awarded in each age group for biggest catch with a special prize for the one that catches the biggest bluegill. Age groups are: 8 and below, 9 - 12 years old and 13 - 16 years old. Click here to register and learn more.

#### Woodridge Octoberfest SAVE THE DATES!

Woodridge Octoberfest is returning on September 29 & September 30! Save the dates! More information to come from the Woodridge Park District soon! View details

